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In 1992, the General Electric Company was in the process of upgrading their local and wide area networks.

Key to the upgrade were "best-of-breed" software programs. The nuclear energy division (GENE) had hundreds of proprietary programs for design of nuclear systems and components and also had access to the UCLA statistical programs (Statpacks).

What else was needed by mighty GE? We needed an email program! Did we write the code ourselves? NO !!! We wanted the best and so we all had Microsoft's email installed on our PCs. Thousands of us got the best, quickly; at a bargain price, and it worked right off the bat. NO DEBUGGING NECESSARY.

Microsoft talks about the need for companies to have "freedom to innovate". They have demonstrated their technological expertise many times over and this nation is better off because they have used that freedom. Curtailing that freedom would result in a serious loss by our nation